

Tri-County JSEC Meeting
Friday, October 23, 2009

Present: Kerry Bruner, Cal Boyle, Jim Davison, Maureen Connors, Marilyn Ohman, and Shirley Cortright

Treasurer Report: \$1368.45

Apprenticeship & Training Program: Copies of the invite were provided to all and the question was asked if anyone would be interested in also using this as an open house for Job Service to assist with attracting businesses. Need to all target businesses, explain the benefits and invite them to attend. Maureen voiced her concern for the job seeker and that they will be mislead. Jim suggested that we invite Tom Darnell, and the Superintendents from the surrounding School Districts as well as those in the trade areas and possibly the counselors.

Incorporation/Tax-Exempt Committee: Jackie Bonney from the School District was working on this for us but she has resigned her position at the School District. Suggested that we call Jackie and ask her if she would still be interested in participating in JSEC and/or working on this for us. Shirley will call her and ask.

Business Needs/Advice for Job Service: Jim shared SBDC class handout and asked us to share this information with businesses. Solution Mountain is mailing survey out to businesses in all 7 counties to get some input on issues that businesses might be facing, etc. Cal asked about Jim's suggestion to purchase a little DVD player that we could take to businesses and let them view DVDs at their place of business. Maureen motioned and seconded by Kerry to purchase one from Lutey's. Marilyn mentioned that we did get our computer area set up and businesses can use this for training, etc if needed.

Maureen would like some sort of a training effort for hospitality for our next tourist season. Possibly super host or possibly something more like certified customer service course not just generalized but specific to our communities. Workforce training and what we can do for the Youth of Montana.

Next Meeting Friday, December 4, 2009.